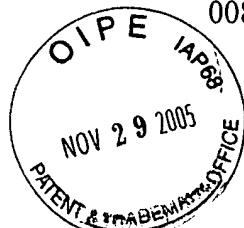


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SUBMISSION OF SUBSTITUTE SPECIFICATION

Sir:

In response to the Office Action of July 18, 2005, the Examiner is respectfully requested to amend the above-identified application as follows, the specification changes appearing at page 2, and the Remarks beginning at page 3.